

House Resolution No. 4678

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge special events experienced by Show-Me State residents who have been blessed by exceptionally long and productive lives; and

Whereas, born on January 1, 1915, in Windsor to the family of Raymond Edgar and Clara Christine Keck Thomas, Wilma McAllister will be the guest of honor at a surprise party celebrating her Ninetieth Birthday on Sunday, December 26, 2004, at First Christian Church of Windsor; and

Whereas, after an enjoyable childhood filled with all types of educational and rewarding activities, Wilma McAllister established a family of her own through her joyful marriage to James Floyd McAllister who loved and cherished her with all of his heart until his death in July 2001; and

Whereas, the marital union of Wilma and James McAllister was blessed with three wonderful children, Diane Utt, Kay Corder, and Janis Combs; fourteen grandchildren; twenty-one great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild; and

Whereas, Wilma McAllister is a member of First Christian Church, is active in the Christian Women's Fellowship, delivers meals for the Windsor Senior Center, relishes her memories of traveling in every state, and is an excellent hand quilter who has made a quilt for each of her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren when they marry; and

Whereas, a vibrant part of the twenty-first century, Wilma McAllister enjoys a life which encompassed most of the twentieth century with its first flights by heavier-than-air craft, worldwide turmoil associated with World War I and World War II, rise of the automobile as America's preferred mode of travel, demise of the Soviet Union as the Cold War drew to a close, and shift from a primarily agricultural economy to one dependent upon industry and then upon the service and information sectors; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses to commemorate momentous events in the lives of such stellar citizens as Wilma McAllister:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the joyous arrival of the Ninetieth Birthday of Wilma McAllister and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining such a rare milestone in life and our best wishes for many more celebratory events in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Wilma Arlene Thomas McAllister of Windsor, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Shannon Cooper
District No. 120

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4678, adopted December 17, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker